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In re Application of :
Harry Chuang : DECISION GRANTING PETITION
Application No. 10/017,955 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)
Filed: December 14, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. TS01-1372C :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(f), filed May 11, 2004, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) to accept an unintentionally delayed notification of the filing in a foreign country of an application directed to the invention disclosed in the subject application.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner indicates that the instant nonprovisional application became the subject of an application filed in a foreign country on June 14, 2002. However, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was unintentionally not notified of this filing within 45 days subsequent to the filing of the subject application in a foreign country.

In view of the above, this application became abandoned pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §122(b)(2)(B)(iii) and 37 CFR 1.213(c) for failure to timely notify the Office of the filing of an application in a foreign country or under a multilateral international agreement that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.

A petition to revive an application abandoned pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) for failure to notify the USPTO of a foreign filing must be accompanied by:

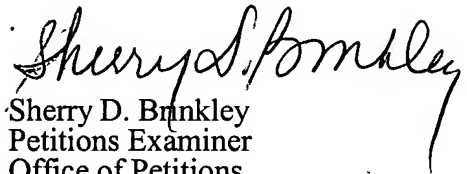
- (1) the required reply which is met by the notification of such filing in a foreign country or under a multinational treaty;
- (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and
- (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date of the reply until the filing of a grantable petition was unintentional.

The instant petition has been found to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.137(b). Accordingly, the failure to timely notify the USPTO of a foreign or international filing within 45 days after the date of filing of such foreign or international application as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) and 37 CFR 1.213(c) is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

The previous Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i) has been rescinded. A Notice Regarding Rescission of Nonpublication Request which sets forth the projected publication date of September 23, 2004 accompanies this decision on petition.

Applicant is reminded that in view of this decision, the \$300 publication fee must also be submitted upon payment of the issue fee.

Any inquiries concerning this decision may be directed to Sherry D. Brinkley at (703) 305-9220.



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ATTACHMENT: Notice Regarding Rescission of Nonpublication Request